



KINGSLEY NEWS

MAY 2008

The news and voice of your village
Community

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KINGSLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
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COUNCIL MEMBERS (not elected)

One representative from each of the affiliated groups and clubs
(NB. This is a condition of affiliation).

KINGSLEY PRAYER DIARY

Each week of the year Christians in Kingsley pray specially for people in a different area of the village and its surroundings. During May we think of, and pray for people living in: -

W/c May 4th	Chapel Lane
W/c May 11th	Westbrook Road
W/c May 18th	Church View
W/c May 25th	Smithy Lane

We invite you to add your own prayers

EDITORIAL NEWS AND VIEWS

Dear Readers

I am sure you will agree that most people like to live in a clean and tidy environment. So if this is the case, why do we see so many of these little plastic bags containing dog waste lying around the sides of the road, in the hedgerows, and sometimes even in the trees. Our litter pickers are doing an excellent job of keeping the village clean, but the litter shouldn't be there in the first place!!! The majority of dog owners are responsible, but for those who are not, why do you take the trouble to put the dog waste in a plastic bag and then throw the bag away? Why can't you take the bag home and put it in your own bin, or put it in the dog waste bins provided. We all have a responsibility to keep Kingsley tidy, and of course, anywhere else that we visit.

I know August seems to be a long time away, but I just need to remind everyone that there will not be a magazine in August and that any ads for events held during August or early September need to be published in the July edition.

Elizabeth

**Articles for the magazine to be sent to the Editor
either by email to - ewilsonsecretarial@yahoo.co.uk
or posted to Badgers Rake, Hillfoot Lane, Newton, WA6 6SY**

Tel: 01928 787678

Copy deadline is the 21st of each month

www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk

KINGSLEY PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD TUESDAY 15TH APRIL 2008

Playing Field Report

The planning application for the play area will be submitted to the June meeting. The plans can be viewed on the Vale Royal Borough Council website or by contacting Vale Royal planning department.

Cemetery Report

Quotes have been received for repainting the railings in the cemetery and work should commence shortly.

Footpath Report

After valuable consultations with the Kingsley Walkers the new maps are nearing completion and will be going to the printers soon. If anyone needs a map in the meantime there are still a few of the current stock remaining and these can be purchased Holland's Pharmacy in the village.

Carnival 2008

Plans for the Carnival on 12th July are progressing. We continue to need sponsorship and also anyone wishing to have a stall should get in touch as soon as possible either with the clerk on 739400 or with Vony Gwillim on 789098. We are also appealing to anyone who would like to help us on the day with marshalling or with helping set up, would you please get in touch.

Kingsley KU17s Club Report

£60 was raised at the bingo, well done to everyone! The AGM was well attended with many issues discussed and a new member was welcomed onto the committee.

Website Report

There was a vote of thanks to Simon Sherlock for doing an excellent job on the Kingsley Website and with keeping it up to date.

Community Pride/Litter pick Report

The last litter pick was a great success. 13 people turned out and 17 bags of rubbish were collected, a great result. As a village we have entered into the Community Pride Competition and are being inspected next Wednesday. We are considering planting an area on the grass just before you reach the interactive 30 mile an hour sign on Hollow Lane. If any one is interested in taking this challenge on, would they contact the clerk on 739400.

Next Meeting Tuesday 20th May 2008 at 7.30pm at Kingsley Community Centre



KU17's Youth Club are
having a Tombola on
Carnival day
(12th July 2008)

We would be very grateful if
you are able to donate prizes
(Bottles, Cans, Toys,
Smellies Etc.)

Any items can be delivered to
Ellen Lewis, Orchard
Cottage, Well Lane or phone
787305 to be collected
All funds raised on the day
go towards activities at
KU17's

NEWSLETTER FROM ST. JOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL: APRIL 2008

Visits Welcome



Head teacher: Mrs A. Griffiths

**Hollow Lane
Kingsley
Frodsham
Cheshire
WA6 8EF**

**Tel: (01928) 788536 Fax: (01928) 787600
email: head@kingsley-stjohns.cheshire.sch.uk**

VISITS WELCOME

Dear Readers,

Despite the unseasonable weather, we have been enjoying a wide range of activities.

- Reception and infant children joined Norley C.E. Primary on a visit to Delamare Forest. The children had fascinating time learning about woodland life, enjoying a short ramble through the forest, and spending time doing some bark rubbing and woodland sculpture.
- The children were presented with their achievement certificates from Ruth Basden from the Bible Explorer group to mark the end of their work on learning about the New Testament. They also presented their work to the children. All the children in the school will also be presented with a bible to use in their lessons.
- The children had an enjoyable time working with renowned poet David Horner. He worked with children across the day to produce a variety of poetry that was then performed for parents at a special celebration evening in conjunction with our partner school, Norley C.E. Primary School.
- Reception Children and Nursery enjoyed a special visit to Depmore Farm. They had wonderful time learning about work on the farm and feeding the lambs – we are lucky to have this resource so close!
- The children are thoroughly enjoying the opportunity to explore our new path that was put in over Easter and keeping fit by walking and jogging around it!

Ann Griffiths Headteacher

FARM OPEN DAY

AT
HATLEY FARM
HATLEY LANE
FRODSHAM WA6 6XX

Hosted by Graham & Geoff Warburton
(Along the A56 between Frodsham and Helsby)

ON

SUNDAY 1 JUNE 2008

10am – 4pm

FARM WALKS including
POTATO HARVESTING DEMONSTRATION
FARM ANIMALS: Beef Cattle, Horses, Sheep
& Lambs, Chicks, Goslings, Ducks, Kittens

COME AND SIT ON A TRACTOR
TAKE A TRAILER RIDE

In our new specially adapted visitor trailer

See the Farm Machinery of Today and Yesteryear and find out how it works



Kiddies Quiz

New Cheshire Potatoes & Free Range Eggs



Part of Open Farm Sunday in association with LEAF (Linking Environment And Farming) www.leafuk.org

Enquiries: 01928 788329/07775528585

Adults: £1 Children Free

Refreshments



Kingsley Carnival 2008

Scarecrow Competition

This year's theme is; "Children having fun"
Scarecrows are to be displayed from the 5th July
Prizes will be awarded on Carnival Day; 12th July

Anyone willing to help with the Carnival preparations and on the day please contact Vonny Gwillim on 789098 or please come along to our next meeting at The Red Bull on Wednesday 7th May from 8pm.

"FAMILY PRAISE"

AT THE HURST, 10am on

Sunday 11TH May

Conducted by

REVD STEVE SANTRY



Worship for all the family
Children welcome - parents allowed!

DOG FOULING

As Clerk to Kingsley Parish Council I receive numerous telephone calls from Kingsley Residents in relation to the increasing amount of dog fouling on pavements and highways. Two of the worst hit areas appears to be Top Road and Dark Lane.

I am a dog owner myself and know that the majority of us are responsible owners who clear away the dog fouling when this occurs and put it in the waste bins provided.

However there are some who are letting us down and giving dog owners a bad name by ignoring the problem.

The telephone calls I am currently receiving are becoming quite anxious about this matter and residents have indicated they will 'shop' the offending owners for as everyone knows it is an offence to allow your dog to foul a public highway.

Dog owners and non dog owners should be able to live amicably side by side so I am making a plea to everyone to be responsible and clear up after your dog to avoid any unnecessary court actions.

Doreen Woods
Parish Clerk

Kingsley Players



A Flea In Her EAR

by Georges Feydeau
translated by John Mortimer

First performed 100 years ago, this fast paced bedroom farce has become a classic. Raymonde's attempts to uncover her husband's infidelity misfire resulting in confused identities and many, many doors slamming.



WEDNESDAY 14th MAY TO SATURDAY 17th MAY

Wednesday & Thursday – normal theatre auditorium

tickets £6 (£4 for concessions) Booking office 07925 516760

Friday & Saturday – Supper and Theatre – tables of 6 or 8 –

individual tickets £12. Booking office: 01928 787676

AT KINGSLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE By arrangement with the publishers : Samuel French Limited



TICKET ORDER FORM

For

A Flea in Her Ear

14th to 17th May 2008

Please note: all tickets are numbered: the number on your ticket is your seat number.

You can purchase your tickets by completing this order form and sending it with a cheque made out to 'Kingsley Players' to: Crowmere Cottage, Dobers Lane, Frodsham, WA6 6HJ. Your tickets will either be dropped off or posted to you.

Box office telephone number: **07925 516760**

Name:

Contact Telephone Number:

Address:

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Postcode:

Wednesday & Thursday – standard auditorium

Date		No. required		No. required	Total £
Weds 23	Adults £5		Concessions £4		
Thurs 24	Adults £5		Concessions £4		
				Order Total £:	

Friday & Saturday – supper evenings, £12 per head

To book for Friday & Saturday please contact Malcolm Barker on 01928 787676 or e-mail: malcolmhurst@yahoo.co.uk

Please note that tickets will only be allocated once payment is received.

Kingsley Garden Club

GARDENERS' QUESTION TIME MONDAY, 19TH MAY

The Kingsley Garden Club is delighted that so many are coming to the recordings of the Radio programme Gardeners' Question Time. It is so popular that there is now a waiting list!! Should anyone not be able to come after all, please contact Chris Woulds (01928 788616), as the BBC are very anxious that we fill the Kingsley Community Centre.

Doors open at 5.30pm. Please arrive promptly to give yourself time to enjoy the evening. If you have a question, use the tear-off part of the ticket and hand it in on arrival. You never know, your question might be chosen for the programme!

There will be a raffle with tickets selling at a £1 each.

Garden Trail Programmes for June 7th will also be on sale at a cost of £5.

The recordings should end around 8.30pm. We have been informed that the panellists will be available to chat post recordings.

We hope you will give the panellists a cheery Kingsley welcome and enter enthusiastically into the spirit of the evening!

BAR STAFF FOR THE CENTRE

We are looking for some extra volunteer staff for the bar at the Centre to replace those staff who are now no longer available. Bars are mainly on Saturday nights with a few at other times.

No previous experience necessary as training will be given. For more information please contact Janet Lynch, Bar Staff Co-Ordinator on 787432.

**KINGSLEY/ASH-WORTH TIME BANK
SOCIAL GROUP**

**NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 20TH MAY – 2PM
KINGSLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**REMEMBER WHEN?
MEDICINES & HOME REMEDIES**

**GUEST SPEAKER:
HANNAH CROWDY
GROSVENOR MUSEUM**

**Come along and share your memories and learn
all about home medicines and remedies from the
past – perhaps you have a favourite?**

Refreshments Served and all are welcome

**Tel: Susan on 01829 751398 to register your inter-
est and book a place. Or email:
susanrossturner@hotmail.com**

ROOM AT THE TOP

Rooms with kitchen facilities available for hire

at The Hurst Methodist Church.

Ideal for children's parties etc.

Moderate charges.

Contact Brian Moores on 787442

**KINGSLEY & NEWTON VILLAGE INSTITUTE
TOP ROAD, KINGSLEY**

Bingo	Monday	5 & 19 May, 2nd June	7.30pm
Spanish	Tuesday	6 & 7 May	9.30am
Line Dancing	“	6, 13, 20 & 27 May	8.00pm
Spanish	Wednesday	7, 14, 21, 28 May	9.30am
Quiz	“	14 & 28 May	9.00pm
Keep Fit	Thursday	1, 8, 15, 22, 29 May	2.45pm
Bridge	Friday	2, 9, 16, 23, 30 May	10.00am

Our tennis courts are open 7 days a week and are available to all.

Our bowling green is now open. Teams play every other Tuesday afternoon, Tuesday evening and Wednesday evening. Everyone welcome and if you have never played before one of our bowlers will be able to help you.

Our club is open to everyone. Please come along and see what we have to offer. We have snooker tables, pool and darts.

It is ideal for a party and many thanks to the people who have had their parties here.

A catering service is available at reasonable prices. Please ring 01928 788505.

Stephen Ford

Local joiner / carpenter. Based in Kingsley

Telephone - 07940 106 295

ASH-WORTH TIME BANK LINKING PEOPLE TOGETHER UPDATE:

You have probably heard of Kingsley/Ash-worth Time Bank. Membership is free – as are all our services. There is no obligation – being a member is like having an insurance policy – you never know when you will need help! We also organise regular social groups and a monthly holistic therapy day in Kelsall (for unpaid carers and people who have suffered a bereavement). Activities in Kingsley include the following:

Keep Fit classes each Thursday afternoon at Kingsley Village Institute – tel: Maureen Chesmore on 01928 787055 to register.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PILATES? Pilates is extremely good for building core muscle (stomach/back) strength and for posture. The Time Bank is hoping to organise a new class in Pilates – £3 per session. **If you are interested in registering please contact Susan on 01829 751398 for further information.**

OPEN EVENING/ENERGY SAVERS SCHEME:

Kingsley/Ash-worth Time Bank are holding an Open Evening on Thursday 19th June, from 7pm in Kingsley – venue to be announced. Find out how you can save money and energy in your home, chat to time bank members there will be:

An Energy Quiz (test your energy saving knowledge – what is your carbon footprint?)

Prize Raffle

Reflexologist – try out a treatment

Handouts

Refreshments

Book Sale

This freezing cold spring continues. There was snow lying on the potato drills one day and keen frosts are nipping off the potato shoots when they appear above the soil. There seems to be freezing winds and heavy hailstorms every day. They are very heavy April showers!. So much for the great global warming scam! I have always been very sceptical of all the wild claims about so called global warming. Some people say our summers will get hotter and drier. Some say summers will be cooler and wetter, winters will be colder, warmer, snowier, wetter or drier, in other words, nobody knows. They are all guessing. The more startling or scary the claims, the more money these groups get off the government for research. It's a bit like the Emperors New Clothes, because everybody says it is happening – it must be! Some reports say the arctic ice cap is melting, some report say it is increasing. Last year the snow on the Alps was late and people said Alpine skiing was finished and skiers would have to go elsewhere. This year the snow on the Alps was two weeks early, and has continued ever since. The season has been extended, making it one of the best seasons ever. Now I've got that off my chest, just wait till I get my teeth into the great organic food con, but that can wait until another time.

The price of wheat continues to rise, and is now nearer £200 per tonne. Twelve months ago it was approx. £80 per tonne. This is pulling up the price of other foods like rice and soya. This is causing serious concerns in poorer countries because the price of their staple food has doubled. There have been food riots in some countries over the soaring cost of their food and governments are finally starting to take notice and realise that we could actually run out of wheat in the not too distant future. For the last 20 years, the government and the European Union, via the C.A.P. have been putting all their money and efforts into taking land out of production and putting it into various diversification and conservation schemes, for the sole purpose of reducing the huge food surpluses we had at the time. Now, they are seriously thinking of turning all this on its head in some sort of 21st century “Dig for Victory” campaign. How things have changed!!! I read a superb article in a farming magazine, by Guy Smith, an Essex farmer and writer. He has

given me permission to re-produce it in my article, and I hope you find it as amusing and ironic as I did.

NOW THERE'S A NOVEL IDEA

Just when I thought the BBC couldn't get any more starry-eyed about the real nature of modern food production, a friend sends me an article from last month's BBC News magazine which suggests people should take seriously the prospect of the world running out of wheat. And what's the BBC's answer to this doomsday scenario? Simple (and I quote) – just 'bake your lawn', or in other words, turn the back garden over to milling wheat production.

According to the article, not only will this secure your bread supply, it will also 'help the environment and at the same time fight inflation'. And if you think I must be making this up (because not even the BBC could be so asinine), then check it out at

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/magazine/7284011.stm>

Even so – and despite my derision – the article set me thinking. Presumably because it's the BBC, we're talking organic wheat production here, with low yields (you'd struggle with a 24m spray boom anyway), so I reckon you'd need at least 200m² to give you the 100kg of wheat required to bake the 200 standard loaves needed to keep you and the wife in toast and sandwiches for the year.

Things get much more tricky if you've got kids. First, you need even more land – and seeing as the average British garden is only 100m², it looks like the little darlings will have to forgo the trampoline and the Wendy house so you can maximise your wheat acreage. Maybe the privet hedge between you and next door could be grubbed out?

Then there's the labour issue. Presumably tractors are out of the question, so we're talking hand-forks and rakes – and after that, there's the harvesting plan to sort out. Presumably this is a matter of hand-shears and a lot of ear bashing (and that's "wheat ear bashing" to thresh the wheat, rather than giving the kids an ear-bashing because they'd rather watch TV instead of helping out with your bijoux grain prairie).

To my reckoning, all this back garden agriculture would mean at least 60 hours of work (not to mention a bad back). And for what? 100kg of wheat that your local farmer could sell to you for £30 (that's allowing £10 for the bag)

Now, I'm no Doctor of Economics but working for 50p/hour would certainly help "fight inflation" as the BBC suggests. What's more, it would probably send the UK back to some sort of feudal peasant economy. As for their other claim that this "would help the environment", one has to question if there might be a bio-diversity issue here, with sweeping away the bedding plants and alpine rockery to replace them with a wheat mono-culture. But we're in 'BBC world' here, so let's not start spoiling the story with boring facts and realistic analysis. Let's persevere instead with the prospect of wheat in the back garden. There are other factors the BBC ought to give us guidance on – the prospect of crop failure, for example. And what if the Alsatian from No.23 contaminated the crop just as you were approaching harvest? Or maybe a stray football from No. 25 flattening a sizeable proportion of next year's bread supply? Next there's cross-compliance (*this is a statutory raft of rules and regs set down by the E.U. to protect soil, water, hedges, trees etc that we have to comply with*) to think about. Soil action-plans would need to be made before you dare put a fork into a sod. Then again, if you were digging up an old lawn, surely an Environmental Impact Assessment would have to be made? Would the privet hedge be protected under the hedgerow protection legislation? And if the privet has to stay, then presumably you couldn't cultivate within 2m of its centre point? What if the wife claims she has an historic right of way to access the washing line at the bottom of the garden? Would you not then need to leave a path at least 2m wide through the crop? What if you were caught short one day and needed to spray the crop with a urea-based liquid fertiliser? Would you need to check if you had enough NRoSO points (*National Register of Sprayer Operators – which you have to be a member of to conduct spraying*)?

Let us be wildly optimistic and assume you had a bumper harvest with grain to spare. The question is, if you wanted to let No. 23 have a bucket-full of wheat to show there was no hard feelings about the

trespassing Alsatian, would you need to fill in a passport and pay the HGCA (Home Grown Cereals Authority) levy? *(every load of grain that leaves the farm has to have a passport with it, stating whether or not it had been treated with any chemicals on the farm and every tonne sold has to have the HGCA levy deducted. About 50p tonne)* Then again, you could just leave wheat production to a local farmer. **Now there's a novel idea!**

WARBURTONS NEW CHESHIRE POTATOES will soon be ready at HATLEY FARM FRODSHAM, look out for the signs along the A56 Frodsham/Helsby Road

I have had two e-mails during April regarding my Farm Update, which is encouraging, proof indeed that I have at least two readers.

Best Wishes

GRAHAM WARBURTON

E-mail warbies.depmore@btinternet.com

Tel: 01928 788329

Strange Fruit Hanging from Trees

As I took my regular walk around Pike Lane in the hope of seeing the first swallows I spotted two plastic bags containing dog dirt. It appears to be a common practice to decorate the grass verge and even the trees with these little parcels. This awakened a train of thought. How long does it take for a plastic bag of 'pooh' to disintegrate? Does it take less time if the 'pooh' is left unwrapped so that the insects can work on it? What does anybody think?
By the way I did see my first swallow on Pike Lane.

Roy Griffiths

MAY 2008

Christians Together in Crowton, Kingsley, and Norley (CTCKN).

Christian Aid (<http://www.christian-aid.org.uk>) is a movement of people working together to make a difference for the poor of the world today.

It depends on the support of thousands of volunteers who organise Christian Aid Week in May each year, carry out local fundraising initiatives both large and small, and who campaign to change the systems that keep people poor.

This year Christian Aid Week starts on Sunday 11th May. Envelopes will be distributed to all houses in Kingsley. Please give generously. Our local co-ordinator is Audrey Griffiths (788535). If you can help in any way she will be delighted to hear from you!

On 18th May at 10:30 AM there is a service at Christ Church, Crowton to celebrate Environmental Sunday. It will be preceded by a walk starting from Crowton Millennium Green at 10:00 AM. Lunch will be served afterwards at The Hare & Hounds (soup, sandwiches and chips). Cost is £10 – if interested please contact Joan Loukes as soon as possible.

CTCKN exists to promote co-operation between all Christian denominations active in Crowton, Kingsley and Norley. Our meetings are open to anyone who would like to be involved. If you would like more information, please contact Jonathan & Janet Batey, 788706 or Joan Loukes, 788874.

CTCKN is affiliated to Churches Together in England

CHURCHES

Anglican

St. John the Evangelist, Kingsley
St. John the Evangelist, Norley
Christ Church, Crowton.

Methodist

The Hurst Methodist Church, Kingsley
Blakelees Chapel, Kingsley
Norley Methodist Church

Roman Catholic

St Luke's Church, FrodshamClergy

Methodist

Minister: Rev Steve Santry 722102
Superintendent Minister: Rev Pat Christopher 733180

Roman Catholic Priest: Mgr Canon Peter O'Neill 733127

There is no Anglican vicar at present, so during the interregnum please direct enquiries to one of the churchwardens:

Cliff Peartree 788314

Graham Merrington 788087

Church Services

The nearest Roman Catholic Church is St Luke's, Frodsham. Services are:

Sunday Mass 9.00AM, 11:00 AM

Weekdays 9:30 AM (Tuesdays 7:15 PM)

Saturday 6:00 PM

Thursday 1st May (Ascension Day)

7:30 PM Holy Communion (with Methodists) St John Norley

Sunday 4th May

8:00 AM Holy Communion The Hurst

8:15 AM Holy Communion Christ Church, Crowton

10:00 AM Morning Worship The Hurst

10:15 AM Family Service with Baptisms St John Kingsley

10:45 AM Morning Worship Norley Methodist

6:30 PM Evening Worship (with The Hurst) Blakelees

6:30 PM Evening Prayer (with Norley Methodists) St John Norley

Thursday 8th May

10:00AM Holy Communion Christ Church, Crowton

Sunday 11th May Pentecost, Christian Aid Sunday

8:15 AM Holy Communion St John Kingsley

10:00 AM Family Praise & Christian Aid Service (with Kingsley Anglicans)
The Hurst

10:15 AM Celebrating Together St John Norley

10:45 AM Holy Communion Norley Methodist

6:30 PM Evening Worship Blakelees

6:30 PM Holy Communion The Hurst

6:30 PM Evening Worship Norley Methodist

6:30 PM Holy Communion Christ Church, Crowton

Thursday 15th May

10:00AM Holy Communion St John Kingsley

Sunday 18th May Trinity Sunday, Environmental Sunday

9:00 AM Norley @ 9 Norley Methodist

10:00 AM Holy Communion The Hurst

10:30 AM Celebrating Together (preceded by walk) Christ Church, Crowton

10:45 AM Morning Worship Norley Methodist

6:30 PM Evening Worship (with The Hurst) Blakelees

Thursday 22nd May

10:00 AM Holy Communion St John Norley

Sunday 25th May

8:15 AM Holy Communion St John Norley
10:00 AM Morning Worship The Hurst
10:15 AM Celebrating Together Christ Church, Crowton
10:30 AM Morning Worship Blakelees
10:45 AM Morning Worship Norley Methodist
6:30 PM Holy Communion Norley Methodist
6:30 PM Evening Worship The Hurst

Thursday 29th May

10:00 AM Holy Communion Christ Church, Crowton

Services vary in format from traditional liturgy to informal worship. We offer services especially suitable for families and young people, such as Norley @ 9, Family Praise (normally 2nd Sunday each month at the Hurst) and Celebrating Together at the Anglican Churches.

Prayer & Study

Kingsley Bible Study Group: Monday evening.
CTCKN Ecumenical discussion group: alternate Thursday evenings
Kingsley Prayer Group: Friday morning.

Other events

The Hurst Soup Lunches : two per month
The Hurst Womens' Group : monthly
The Hurst Ladies' Fellowship : monthly (Wednesday afternoon)
The Hurst Creche
Youth Group: Friday evening (now at Frodsham Methodist Church). Contact Barry Watkin 724811
Norley Ecumenical Ladies' Group: 3rd Thursday
Norley Walking Group: 1st Wednesday
Norley Craft Club: Tuesday 10:00 – 12:00
Hurst Guild: 2nd Tuesday evening
Norley St John : Crazy Friday Fun Club

Wheelchairs

These are available on short term loan to the residents of Kingsley. Contact Brian Moores 787442



OGLEJOG 2008 is a re-run of the successful ride of local GP Patrick Milroy and Peter Holland but with a new team of local riders. The 'Old Gits Lands End - John O'Groats' (OGLEJOG) is a 900 mile ride in a 10 day schedule commencing Friday 20th June in Lands End and finishing on Sunday 30th.

This years riders are local Kingsley residents, Rob Crowther (49) proprietor of The Devonshire Bakery in Frodsham, Keith Millington (50) a dentist, Steve Pemberton (54) head of a local packaging design business and Tarporleys Colin Johnson (47) an IT executive. With the support of the original pair and road crew Alan Jarvis, they will be aiming to complete the ride, have some fun and raise some money for their chosen charities.

The nominated charities are:-

The Anthony Nolan Trust, an organisation that helps Leukaemia patients find suitable donors of bone marrow and thereby vastly increase their chances of successful treatment.

The 'Chester Heart Support Group' who give help to the excellent work of the coronary care team at the Countess of Chester Hospital. The ride is helping to raise funds for a specialist ECG machine that will be an important part of the plan to commence delivering a service to insert pacemakers at The Countess of Chester Hospital. It will mean that local people will be able to get better treatment without the need to travel outside the area.

The ride is by no means an exclusive event and the team would be pleased to have as many riders as possible join them, even if it was only for a few miles. To find out more about riding and how to donate please visit the website and/or e-mail info@oglejog.com.

Day 4 of the ride, (Monday 23rd June), is scheduled to finish at The Red Bull in Kingsley at about 6.00pm and the team invite to all local people there to welcome them as they approach the halfway point of the ride.

You may see the riders out training around the area in preparation for the challenge, give them a wave!

Finally the team would welcome some sponsorship from local business, please contact them by e-mail if you would like to be involved.

LITTER PICK

The April litter pick saw 13 helpers clearing our village of litter. I was delighted to see such support especially considering the unpleasant weather. I am pleased to say that yet again I have had to ask Vale royal for more equipment. Thank you to all who helped.

The next litter picks will be on **Saturday 17th May** (change of date) and Sunday June 8th both starting at 10.00 am at the Community Centre.

New helpers are always welcome.

Eila Birtwistle - Litter pick co-ordinator.

Like

Like flowers open their petals to
the sun

I'll always open my arms to you

Like birds sing a beautiful day

I'm singing everyday a lullaby to
you

Like a parent following their
child

I can't take my eye off of you

Like the sunshine in July

I my love shine's for you

Like the snow melt in the sun

I melt under your smiles

Like the moon turns around the
earth

I will be always surround you

Ana Coelho

Christian Aid Week 11th May to the 17th May 2008

Street collections will be taking place during the week commencing 11th May. Your donations will enable Christian Aid to continue important work in the poorest areas of our planet.

For an example Christian Aid with their partner, Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies, are working together in Bangladesh. Bangladesh is one of the most densely populated countries. Furthermore it is one of the poorest countries. The poorest people live on the Delta Plains that are barely one metre above sea level. When, not if flooding takes place salt water mixes with drinking water. This causes multiple problems. These include, lack of drinking water, contaminated soil, tree destruction and destroyed plant life. Leading to disease, inability to grow plants or keep animal stock.

Christian Aid with the Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies for instance supports the Water Council in their work to help affected flood victims. The Water Council explains how best to collect water resulting in a big drop in waterborne diseases. Empowering women is important to the success of this project. Water is not a luxury but a human right.

Christian Aid believes that those affected have the right to decide the best solutions for their communities. There are 500 local organisations such as the Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies working to this end.

£15 million was raised during Christian Aid Week last year.

If you would like to know more about where your money goes when you give to Christian Aid please come to the Family Service at the Hurst on Sunday 11th May at 10am. Dave Hardman, a Christian Aid worker, will be giving a presentation during the service.

Audrey Griffiths - Christian Aid Co-ordinator for Kingsley Village – contact Tel 788 535.

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Friday 16th May 2008

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WI NOTES

After the business had been concluded members were informed of future dates, the walk around Stamford Bridge, Lunch at Wyvale Garden Centre, the Group Meeting and a trip to Wedgewood and Trentham Gardens.

The Darts Team were congratulated on their success.

The president announced that members were to be each given a rose bred for the WI by Fryers called Jam and Jerusalem. This was to be funded from the bequest to the WI from Elaine Jones who died last year. This gesture was greatly appreciated and we look forward to seeing them all blooming next year.

The speaker was Natalia Kirkham from Warrington. Her subject was Garden Pharmacy. Natalia did a formal training as a herbalist after deciding that repeated treatments of antibiotics were not ideal if an alternative could be found. We were interested to learn that some very common garden plants can make very effective teas and tinctures which can cure or prevent a large number of common ailments. Natalia runs courses to teach people how to make some of these preparations and some members were interested in attending a course. If Kingsley ladies are seen around the village picking such things as nettles, dandelions, cleavers, yarrow and borage you may be sure that some brewing is going on.

THANK YOU

Thanking those who supported and helped on the Coffee Day.
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Dear Readers,
We have had a busy few weeks before and after our Easter holidays.

Inter-school Cross Country event



The local schools recently had a cross country event in Delamere Forest. This was well supported by local children and parents. All of our Junior children took part and we were very pleased with their

performance; everyone tried their best. Congratulations to: Zoe Kimber Y3, Annabel Kitchen Y4, Will Parsons Y4, Jake Allen Y5, Anouska Barber Y5, Martha Cottrell Y6, Jessica Parsons Y6 and Jack Allen Y6 who won their respective races.

Y4 visit to Liverpool

Our Year 4 children visited the Tate Gallery in Liverpool to look at a range of works of art. They used some of the pictures as inspiration for creative writing back at school.



Reception

Our Reception class made their Mother's day cards and went



on a short walk to the post box to send them. They were very proud with their writing (as was Miss Smith!).

Skipping workshops



The skipping craze has hit the school again. Recently, each class took part in a skipping workshop

where the children were learning a variety of skills. The day ended with a celebration of what the children had learnt.

Nursery & Reception visit to Reaseheath

Our Nursery and Reception classes visited Reaseheath to see the young calves, piglets and lambs. The children had a wonderful day and learnt a lot about looking after the animals.



Key Strings

Key Strings visited the school to teach the children about different string instruments and different aspects of music. The performance was very informative and enjoyable.



F Rimmer (Headteacher)

KINGSLEY CRICKET CLUB



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- ❖ The cricket season is upon us again and is now well under way. There are 1st and 2nd XI league matches every Saturday afternoon at The Croft Cricket ground in Kingsley. All spectators are most welcome.
- ❖ Senior cricket nets every Tuesday evening at The Croft Cricket ground in Kingsley.
- ❖ The Cricket Club's pre-season tour to Dublin, organised by Ed Lenaghan, preceded almost without a hitch (or at least that's what Ed says). The match against Merrion Cricket Club (members of the Leinster Cricket Union) was an exciting affair narrowly won by our Irish opponents, fielding several international cricketers. A great time was had by all and many thanks to our Irish hosts. The only down side was a quite nasty injury to Steve Kitchen who is going to be out of cricketing action for several weeks having broken fingers going for a spectacular stop in the outfield.
- ❖ The Party in the Park/Summer Ball is fast approaching. Please make a note for your diaries – Friday 20th June 2008 at Kingsley Cricket Ground. There will be superb food, musical entertainment, and much much more.
- ❖ Another date for your diaries is the Scout Summer Barbecue hosted by Kingsley Cricket Club at the Kingsley Cricket Ground on Saturday 12th July 2008. The Barbecue will be the closing event of the Kingsley Carnival Saturday.
- ❖ This is a most important season for the 1st and 2nd XI's beginning their new campaign in the Meller Braggins Cricket League. 1st Team skipper Neil Rowlands and 2nd Team Captain Nic Harrison are keen to recruit new players and in addition there is the 20/20 Evening Team – The Kingsley Knights – under the Captaincy of Ed Lenaghan and a full list of friendly Sunday Fixtures under the leadership of Richard Hendry.

❖ As always the Club welcome anyone interested in joining whether as a player or social member, sponsor, coach or in any other way which will encourage and support cricket in the community.

❖ For all contact details and much more about the Club's activities statistics and all other information please visit the Clubs website: www.kingsley.play-cricket.com. Club Secretary Keith Trenell can be contacted on: 01928 788465

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Looking ahead our Meeting on 3rd June will be a talk given by a Prison Chaplain Rev. M Martin.

Both Meetings are held in Kingsley Church room at 7.30pm.
We welcome anyone to these meetings.

For more details contact our Branch Leader:-

Margaret Ogg 01928 788315

Or the Branch Secretary:-

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Bonding

Both baby and toddler sessions but especially the baby sessions were very much directed towards parent education. The child's identity within a song was personalised making each child a valued participant in the session. Tactile use of touching, hugging, kissing and eye contact in the babies' session provided a useful way for parents who might find it difficult to bond with their babies or maybe recovering from postnatal depression. Toddlers are encouraged to distance themselves away from parents to illustrate that their children will eventually learn independence and separation in preparation for pre-school.

Rhythm and Pitch

Musical instruments enabled children to develop expressive speech and listening skills. By listening to different sounds and allowing the children to "beat their own drum" with parents enabled children to experience all facets of their development as they counted the beats and mimicked sounds. Essentially, all this promotes an early introduction to number skills and develops emotional literacy (recognising, slow, fast, high and low variations in music).

Music and Social Inclusion

Through musical engagement, a non-discriminatory approach is engendered as it socialises children with regard to sharing and caring. Parents of children with disabilities can access Rhythm Time. Fathers and grandparents also participated in the sessions. A communal spirit of sharing and camaraderie among the parents was evident and the session allowed other parents to form small groups to share in a brief musical activity. There was room for children (toddlers) to express themselves freely in movement. Rhythm Time is adaptable for multi-ethnic communities as children whatever their race, colour or religious persuasion naturally move to music. Venues are not restricted therefore can be held in any convenient and local venue. Children with sight or hearing impairment can also join in as most activities promote the use of vibrations and sounds and touch so no child is left out.

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7 walkers set off from the Candle factory on a 7 mile walk using the Sandstone trail and visiting Rawhead and Mad Allen's hole. The weather was damp but this didn't spoil the enjoyable walk.

The long walk, on March 11th, started from Plumley station car park. Only three intrepid folk ventured out on this walk, but the weather was kind at the start and finish, with only one downpour having to be endured mid-walk, just after lunch! The route took us via Tabley Mere, the village of Lower Peover and along the Salter's Way, before returning to Plumley village.

May 13th. - Long walk is on Shining Tor and is one not to be missed.

Kingsley Walking Group have two walks each month, meeting at the Community Centre at 9.30am. On the second Tuesday there is a long walk, bring a packed lunch. On the last Wednesday a short walk with a coffee break and a pub lunch. We are a friendly group. For more information tel. 787055

DATES IN MAY

Fri 2 May Schools May Day break to 6 May

Fri 2 May - 7.30 pm at Norley Methodist Church:

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11-17 May Christian Aid Week

Mon 12 May - Noon to 1.00 pm: Hurst Soup Lunch in aid of "Team Oasis", working with children and young people in Toxteth

14-17 May at KCC: Kingsley Players production

15 May International Day of the Family

Fri 23 May School summer half term to 2 Jun

Wed 28 May Amnesty International Day

LOOKING AHEAD TO JUNE

Sat 7 Jun Kingsley Garden Trail

9-15 June National Carers Week

Mon 9 Jun - Noon to 1.00 pm: Hurst Soup Lunch

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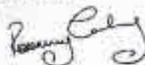
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Wed 14th-		
Sat 17th	Kingsley Players	Comm Centre
Tues 20th	Timebank - Remember When	Comm Centre 14.00
Wed 28th	Kingsley Walkers	Comm Centre 09.30

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